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Applicants: Noboru AIBA, et al.

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For: ANNULAR SUSTAINED RELEASE PHEROMONE DISPENSER AND ITS
INSTALLATION TOOL

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT

Sir:

Applicants submit this Amendment further to the Advisory Action mailed October 26, 2001. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend Claim 9 to read as follows:

9. (Amended) A method for preparing an annular sustained release pheromone-dispenser comprising arranging a plurality of continuous plastic tubes filled with a liquid synthetic sex pheromone by aspiration, fusing the tubes at a range of 2 to 15 mm together at predetermined points by heating under pressure to connect the tubes to each other